

THE INDEX

MEDICINE LODGE, KANSAS

THURSDAY, FEB. 10, 1881.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

And now the boys and girls do glide upon the glassy sea, And as they cut a pigeon-wing They say, "O my! how nice!"

But when they strike a frozen lump And light upon their noses, They sing a psalm to the stars, And softly murmur, "Moose!"

Wood! Wood! Wood!!! Wood!!!!

John Mosely returned to the Territory Tuesday morning.

J. M. Bush, of Pennycu, New York, is stopping in the city.

Mrs. O. C. Olds is quite ill with lung fever. We hope that it will not prove serious.

Sample copies of the Leavenworth Times can be had by calling at this office.

Prof. Mulkey is writing a play that will be given by his school in about six weeks.

M. L. Palmer informs us that nearly five inches of snow fell on Bitter Creek, last Sunday.

J. M. Sherry is at work on his new building, and will have the frame up in a short time.

Dick Lee and wife were up to Lake and Sun City, visiting friends and relations last week.

We understand that Al. Updegraff intends to start for Santa Fe, New Mexico, in a short time.

Remember, we give the Leavenworth Weekly Times as a premium to every yearly subscriber of the Index.

Any professional man who would like a neat and comfortable office can be accommodated by applying here.

Religious services have been held in the M. E. church every evening this week under the auspices of the M. E. society.

The Barbour County Index looks smiling and handsome in its new dress, and is filled with news.—[Leavenworth Times.]

Don't fail to give Al. Smith a call when you want meat of any kind. His market is first door south of the Central Grocery.

The brick building that is being erected by A. W. Little, north of Smith's drug store will be occupied by A. G. Sanderson with a billiard hall.

We understand that Dr. Johnson intends to locate at Sun City. We are sorry to hear this, for we supposed that it was his intention to stay with us.

James Wilson, of Kiowa, made us a very pleasant call Saturday last. We are always pleased to meet Mr. W., as he is a thorough gentleman and a scholar.

J. P. Russell, traveling for Lockwood, Englehart & Co., of St. Joseph, was in town yesterday. He is one of the most jovial fellows we have met in some time.

Will Young informs us that his stock of furniture is now at Harper, and he will have it here ready for business next week. Don't fail to give him a call for anything in his line.

Howard Rathbone, representing the firm of Singer & Benedict, clothiers of Milwaukee, was in town this week. Mr. Rathbone owns considerable property here, and is a fine fellow socially.

Dr. Brattain has disposed of his property, situated south-east of the Index office, to H. Walters. The latter gentleman is of a migratory character, and furnishes us material for many a news item.

We are in receipt of a paper called the Green Cove Spring, published at Green Cove Springs, Florida, by Dennis Bros. It is a four column quarto, very neatly gotten up and well filled with advertisements.

People are taking advantage of our liberal offer to furnish the Index and the Leavenworth Times for the price of ours alone, and new names are being added to our list every day. There is yet room for more.

Henry Durst will soon commence the erection of a brick building 20x40, on a lot situated north of Cal. Orner's drug store. Henry evidently has faith in the future of our city. We wish we had more like him.

The Hutchinson Interior, since its recent enlargement, is a mammoth sheet, and contains enough reading matter to satisfy the mind of an ordinary individual. We trust that prosperity will continue to be with the Interior.

B. H. Whitcomb, who came to this county last October, and is stopping with the Valhalla boys, made us a very pleasant call on Tuesday. The gentleman thinks of engaging in the sheep business next spring, and of course ordered the Index to keep himself posted.

Last Thursday Tom Doran and Ed. Cooley started for Great Bend. Tom, will visit relatives there and Ed. will go on to Dodge City.

Next Monday is St. Valentine's day. Have you purchased one of those beautiful works of art for your girl? If not, go to Smith's. He has some fine ones.

We are informed that H. Walters intends to start another billiard parlor in the Lodge. We don't know whether there is any truth in the report or not.

On Tuesday morning, Cal. Orner, Eli Smith, D. VanSlyke, S. J. Shepherd and C. T. Hickman, started for Topeka, to whether they go to visit the Hon. Geo. D. Orner. Geo. kindly furnished each of them with a pass.

Barney Quinn has laid aside the pot and brush for a time, and is now at work in Singer's shoe shop. With his mouth filled with pegs, it will be impossible for Barney to give the boys as much "chum" as he formerly did.

We desire to secure an agent to travel through the south-west and solicit advertising and subscriptions for the Index. If some live, energetic individual will take hold of this matter, we will allow him the most liberal commission ever given to an agent. We mean business.

Last Saturday a runner for a St. Joe boat and shoe house, had the misfortune to be dumped into Elm Creek, together with one of his sample trunks. The driver was unacquainted with the crossing—and drove too far north—with the above result.

The social dancing party held at the Arcade Restaurant last Thursday evening was said to have been a very pleasant affair indeed. There were a large number of our young people present and the terpsichorean exercise was indulged in until a late hour. Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson certainly know how to entertain company.

We hear considerable complaint from stock men in the eastern portion of the county, in regard to their cattle drifting into Harper and then having to pay a big price to the grangers who capture and hold them. One man had seven head get away the other day, and he was compelled to pay ten dollars to get them back again.

Last Monday Ex. Bliff improvised a cutter, hatched up a span of his first stoppers and gave a number of our citizens a sleigh ride. We were so fortunate as to be included in the number, and as it was the first sleigh ride we have had since our residence in Kansas, we enjoyed it hugely. Many thanks, Ezra.

Freighters inform us that they have been having great difficulty in crossing Elm Creek, of late. At present there are two layers of ice in the bed of the stream, and when a heavily loaded wagon cuts through it and sinks into the sand up to the hubs. We trust the time is not far distant when a good bridge will span this most uncertain of streams.

The fourth quarterly meeting of the Medicine Lodge circuit will be held at Medicine Lodge next Saturday and Sunday. Quarterly conference Saturday at 2 P. M. Preaching by the presiding Elder, N. S. Buckner, Saturday night, Sunday at 11 A. M., and also on Sunday night. The elder will preach at Mr. Strong's, on Elm Creek, Monday night.

Ex. Bliff has purchased the fifteen ball pool table of Dick Lee and will soon open a billiard parlor, first door north of the stable. Ex. informs us that he has purchased a billiard table and intends to fit the room up in fine style. The place will be kept orderly and quiet and the ladies can go and enjoy this fascinating game, if they choose.

Heretofore several individuals have seen fit to vacate the county without calling at this office and paying up the amount of their indebtedness. As a precaution against further depredations of a like character, we propose to keep a "black list" standing at the head of our local columns, in which the name of every individual who attempts to beat us out of what is justly due us—will be inserted.

Last Saturday morning little Frank Ramsey, a nephew of John Ramsey, was hunting in the woods, when the charge in the gun became damp. He blazed away at a rabbit and the next moment he thought a Jimmyeater had struck him. The weapon burst into a hundred pieces, but fortunately he received no injury, save his face being a little burned by the powder. The wonder is that his head was not blown from his shoulders.

Our jovial fellow townsman D. A. McCandless, has been served, what we call, a very shabby trick. When he opened his restaurant, he paid \$5 for an occupation license—this amount being all that was required of him. When he changed his business to that of a groceryman, nothing was said about the license until this week, when some individual made complaint and Dave was marched before the Police Judge. After considerable dallying, Mr. McCandless finally paid over six dollars more, making all occupation license for the year.

Although the Hutchinson Interior is published in what might be called a neighboring town, that paper very seldom, if ever, makes mention of Barbour county, or her newspapers. We are rather inclined to think there is to be a change in this respect, as the following clipping from its columns will indicate. We extend our thanks for the same: "The man who gets up the Index, published at Medicine Lodge, understands his business. The people of Barbour county should be proud of their local paper. It is a good one."

As an evidence that the Index is a valuable advertising medium, we have only to state among other things, that we recently advertised some stock and a ranch for sale. There were at least a dozen inquiries immediately after the paper was issued, and now a gentleman residing away up in the north-eastern part of the State of New York sends us a postal card stating that he saw the advertisement referred to and wanted to know the particulars. We say without fear of successful contradiction, that there is not a better advertising medium in south-western Kansas than the Index. Business men will please bear this in mind.

A fashionable paper says "gathered waste are much worn." If the men would gather the waste carefully and not squeeze so like blazes they would not be worn so much.

Dr. Kessler informs us that he has had eighty-nine patients under his charge since the first day of January. The doctor informs us that he has been nearly worked to death.

We are now making the most liberal offer ever extended by any publisher. We will send the Leavenworth Weekly Times, a mammoth forty-eight column paper, and the Index, for \$2.00. Don't delay.

W. W. Cook has been in Chicago for the past two weeks transacting some business that he has there. Mr. Cook is one of our most enterprising citizens, and by hard work is accumulating a snug little competence.

That good natured "nigger," Jim Marsh, is dishing up "cluck" at Barney O'Connor's camp, down in the Territory. This business just suits Jim, as he can live fat and the work don't tire his feeble body.

Will Young and M. L. Palmer could not agree on the rental for the building belonging to the latter, and Will has leased the brick building belonging to Mrs. Forsyth, north of Morris & Higgin's blacksmith shop, where his furniture store will be located.

Mrs. W. H. Smith, of Little Mule, was in town Monday, and gave us two silver dollars for the Index. After seeing one copy she came to the conclusion that existence without it would be miserable. We wish there were scores of such women as Mrs. Smith in Barbour county.

Editor INDEX:—Please announce that there will be a meeting of the Barbour County Stock Growers Association at the Bond school house, February 19th, 1881. As there is important business to be transacted, relative to the brand books, a general attendance is requested.

T. G. CUTLER, Sec.

R. M. Easley, formerly of the Interior, has moved the office of the Hutchinson News, and took possession last week. During his connection with the Interior, Bro. Easley published a splendid paper, and we look to see the News improve under his management. We have not learned what Meridith intends to do.

Last Monday D. A. Greever and lady started for Texas, where Mr. G. intends to purchase cattle. We were much pleased to see him re-appear so rapidly from his late illness, as he is without a doubt, one of the finest business men in the whole south-west; and his social qualities are above par. The Index wishes them a pleasant and profitable trip.

For the past week, the editor of this paper has been compelled to hobble about with the aid of crutches, having again attempted to perform gymnastics with a brick bat. If the loose brick that he scattered about the sidewalks, are not removed, this city will be called upon some day to pay a heavy bill of damages to some individual who is not possessed of the angelic nature that we are.

The stage drivers on the Harper and Medicine Lodge line have a novel way of inducing their mules to cross Elm Creek. Just before reaching the stream, they crack their whips, tickle the leaders under the ribs, and set up a yell that would do credit to a whole band of Apache warriors. This scares the mules and they go into the creek on a jump. The old coach wags and rocks like a ship in a storm, while the passengers inside are rattled about like dice in a box.

Last Tuesday H. P. Truesdell found old Captain Remington lying in a gulch, west of town, dead drunk. Truesdell aroused the old man, and was marching him to the "city hotel," when the Captain swore he would not go. The marshal used his persuader upon him until he marched quietly along. In the afternoon he had his trial, and it was said to have been the richest thing that came to our office, and is brim-full of news every week. It has lately been enlarged and is now doubly welcome.

We always look for something rich and spicy in its columns, and we are never disappointed. We heartily congratulate the Index on its evident prosperity, and trust that it may continue long as it is now, one of the very best local papers in the south-west.—[Harper Times.]

Some eight or nine gentlemen holding cattle on the Medicine river about nine miles south of town, are working up a plan to fence a whole township with barbed wire. In order that they may turn their stock loose inside the enclosure and not be compelled to herd them closely. The estimated cost of fencing will be about one dollar per head, for the parties mentioned, which amount could easily be saved the first year. James Wilson, the gentleman who gave us the information, says he feels confident his neighbors will take hold of the matter, and push it through at once. The object of these gentlemen have in view is to come to Medicine Lodge where their children can have the advantage of good schools.

We came within one of being compelled to chronicle a serious, if not fatal accident. Last Friday Miss Frank Ramsey borrowed Al. Updegraff's race horse to ride out to the residence of O. C. Olds. The pony went along without causing any trouble, until he neared the school house, on their return home, when the animal commenced to run away. It started towards Spring Creek and ran under Nate Priest's clothes line. In attempting to dodge it, Miss Ramsey was thrown violently to the ground. Some parties who were witnesses of the accident, ran up and found her insensible with blood gushing from her nose and mouth. She was carried into the house, where she soon revived, and it was found that she had sustained no serious injury—although it was a close call.

Howard Rathbone sold Standford, Youman & Co., sixteen hundred dollars' worth of goods yesterday.

William Friedley has disposed of his horse and three lots, situated in the south-eastern part of town, to Ed. Youman.

Howard Rathbone informs us that from what he can learn while traveling about the State, Medicine Lodge is certain to get one railroad the coming season.

D. A. Greever and lady desire to extend their heartfelt thanks to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kerschner, of Kiowa, for the courtesies shown them during Mr. G's. late illness.

Our devil says he has no objections to the boys and girls hugging each other, but he don't want them to perform the operation before him, with the light turned up.

Dr. Yant, surgeon dentist of Sterling, will be in Medicine Lodge next week. Those in need of work in his line, will please bear this in mind. He is highly recommended.

Rumsey & Crowdon, of Kiowa have recently purchased a very large stock of dry goods, groceries, boots, shoes etc., and are better prepared than ever to sell at bottom prices.

A gentleman in Wichita by the name of Hodge, wishes to lease a building in Medicine Lodge, 25x50, and will bring a four thousand dollar stock of dry goods and place therein. Can't some one accommodate the gentleman?

It is expected that a grand time will be had at the masquerade ball, on the 22nd. The young ladies of our city are all on the qui vive over the affair, and quaint and curious costumes are being improvised for the occasion.

A. W. Little has leased his residence, situated in the south-eastern part of town, to our banker, H. M. Hickman. We understand Mr. and Mrs. Little intend to go back to Kentucky where they will visit, the coming season.

THE GROWTH OF KANSAS.—The wonderful growth of Kansas is aptly illustrated by the growth of the Leavenworth Times. This paper has always been the friend of the State, and has done much to advertise Kansas in the east and attract people to our borders. We have made arrangements with D. R. Anthony, the publisher, whereby we are enabled to furnish The Leavenworth Weekly Times and the Index for one year for \$2. Even if your time does not run out for six months hence, renew now, and you will immediately receive the mammoth edition of the Leavenworth Times each week. During the session of the Legislature and Congress you can not afford to be without its complete and interesting reports, and the sooner you begin the better it will be. Bring or send your money to this office.

Our readers will remember that we made mention last week that some individual or individuals had requested the city attorney to draw up an ordinance to present to the city council, prohibiting the erection of any frame buildings on the main thoroughfare of our city. If such an ordinance as the above should be passed by the council, it would be a blow from which Medicine Lodge would not recover in some time. Of course every individual who is interested here, would like to see main street lined with brick buildings; but if an individual desires to engage in business, and has not the capital necessary to erect a brick or gypsum, we say let him put up a frame business house, rather than none at all. We don't believe in detouring a man what he shall or shall not do. It is evident that some one is trying to get up a corner on brick, and it will be well enough for our citizens to remember this matter at the coming city election.

At my residence near Red Creek, on Friday, February 25th, 1881, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property: One yearling steer branded half-circle T on left hip. The said property is sold to satisfy a keeper's lien, due from Isminger to myself.

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Fresh Graham Flour at Lebrecht's. 26

—Joliet Steel Barbed Fence Wire at Geppert's. 8

—If you want Lumber, Shingles, Lath, Doors, Sash and blinds go to Geppert's. 8

—The Largest stock of Cook and Heating stoves in south-western Kansas, at Geppert's. 17

A complete assortment of Queensware, at Standford Youmans & Co. no121f

A Full Line of Pacific Prints and Fancy shirtings at S & Y's 4

Standford & Youman have just received an immense stock of new goods of all kinds. Call and examine our stock before you buy elsewhere. 3

A full line of Clothing, the largest and best ever received in this city, now offered by Standford Youmans & Co. no121f

—Those parties who want a quiet orderly place to stop when they come to town, where they can get a good bed and first-class meals at the lowest rates can be accommodated by stopping at the Palmer House. This is now acknowledged by all to be the best hotel in Medicine Lodge. 30 tf

—Horse shoes, ready fitted—at Geppert's Hardware Emporium. 31-tf

R. T. Lee at the Medicine Lodge Hotel, is now doing the leading hotel business of the town. All strangers and traveling men stopping at this house agree, that Dick sets the best table of any landlord in South Western Kansas. 1t

A full and complete Stock of Boots and Shoes at Standford Youmans & Co. no121f

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—Drive Well Pumps and Points at Geppert's 17

—Stock and Ranch for sale. One of the best Ranches in Barbour county, plenty of good timber and water, a small bunch of fine domestic cattle also 5 head of horses. Located on Elm Creek 10 miles from Medicine Lodge. For further particulars address, INDEX office 33 tf

Sale to Satisfy Keeper's Lien.

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